

Solomon & Early Kings

Solomon asks for wisdom



Solomon asks God for wisdom and knowledge to lead His people.

2 Chronicles 1:7-13

THINK ABOUT THE STORY

What did Solomon ask God to give him at Gibeon (2 Chronicles 1:7-13)?

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2 Chronicles 1-18

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| 5. 2 Chronicles 13-15 | 6. 2 Chronicles 16-18 |

MAIN POINTS

- Solomon asked God for wisdom and knowledge to lead His people (2 Chronicles 1:7-12).
- God heard Solomon's prayer, but He also warned the people not to forsake Him (2 Chronicles 7:12-22).
- Judah prevailed when it cried to the LORD and relied on Him (2 Chronicles 13:13-18; 2 Chronicles 14:9-12).
- Jehoshaphat sent teachers with God's law, but later joined Ahab in a dangerous battle (2 Chronicles 17:7-9; 2 Chronicles 18:1-34).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What request showed Solomon's care for the people (2 Chronicles 1:7-12)?
2 Chronicles 1:7-13
2. What happened to the shields Rehoboam guarded (2 Chronicles 9:15-16; 2 Chronicles 12:9-10)?
2 Chronicles 11:1-17
3. Asa asked the LORD for help in 2 Chronicles 14:11. What is one hard choice where you can ask God for help before acting?
2 Chronicles 14:11

MEMORY VERSE / 2 Chronicles 7:14

The LORD's answer follows Solomon's dedication prayer and addresses drought, locusts, pestilence, humble prayer, repentance, forgiveness, and the land (2 Chronicles 7:12-16).

WEB

if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

KJV

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

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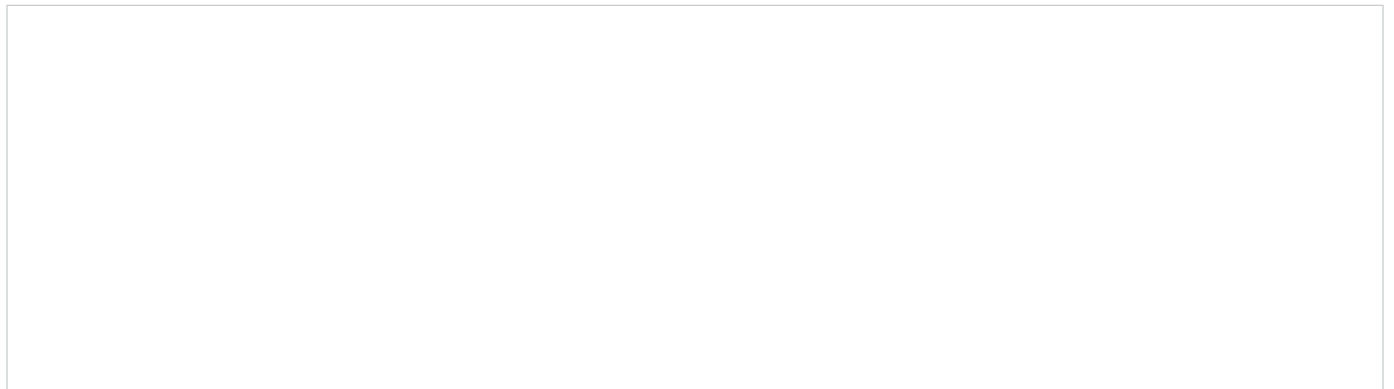
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WHAT I NOTICED

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ONE THING I WANT TO TRY

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MAIN POINTS

- Solomon asked for wisdom and knowledge to judge God's people and then organized the work and worship connected with the house (2 Chronicles 1:7-12; 2 Chronicles 2:1-18; 2 Chronicles 8:12-16).
- Solomon's prayer reached judgment, forgiveness, strangers, war, and captivity; God's answer joined mercy with covenant warning (2 Chronicles 6:18-42; 2 Chronicles 7:12-22).
- The early kings show that counsel, humility, and reliance have consequences: Rehoboam divided the kingdom, Abijah relied on the LORD, and Asa later relied on Syria (2 Chronicles 10:6-19; 2 Chronicles 13:13-18; 2 Chronicles 16:1-10).
- Jehoshaphat's teaching mission contrasts with his affinity with Ahab and the rejection of Micaiah's word (2 Chronicles 17:7-9; 2 Chronicles 18:1-34).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What did Solomon seek for the work of judging God's people (2 Chronicles 1:7-12)?
2 Chronicles 1:7-13
2. What sequence connects Solomon's shields with Shishak's invasion (2 Chronicles 9:15-16; 2 Chronicles 12:9-10)?
2 Chronicles 11:1-17
3. Compare Asa's reliance in 2 Chronicles 14:11 with his Syrian agreement in 16:2-9. What pressure could make you forget the help you trusted before?
2 Chronicles 14:11

MEMORY VERSE / 2 Chronicles 20:12

Jehoshaphat's prayer states Judah's lack of might and knowledge and fixes the people's eyes upon God (2 Chronicles 20:12).

WEB

Our God, will you not judge them? For we have no might against this great company that comes against us. We don't know what to do, but our eyes are on you."

KJV

O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.

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MAIN POINTS

- Solomon asked for wisdom and knowledge to judge God's people, then prepared and completed the house with ordered labor and service (2 Chronicles 1:7-12; 2 Chronicles 2:1-18; 2 Chronicles 8:12-16).
- The dedication presents glory, prayer, forgiveness, repentance, and a warning that forsaking the LORD would bring judgment on the land and house (2 Chronicles 5:11-14; 2 Chronicles 6:18-42; 2 Chronicles 7:12-22).
- Rehoboam, Abijah, and Asa expose the consequences of counsel, humility, and the object of a king's reliance (2 Chronicles 10:6-19; 2 Chronicles 13:13-18; 2 Chronicles 16:1-10).
- Jehoshaphat sought God and taught Judah, yet his alliance with Ahab brought him into the battle where Micaiah's rejected prophecy proved true (2 Chronicles 17:3-10; 2 Chronicles 18:1-34).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Why did Solomon say the house could not contain God?
2 Chronicles 6:18-21
2. What do the gold and brass shields show about Rehoboam's reign?
2 Chronicles 9:15-16
3. Asa once rested on the LORD but later paid Syria and rejected Hanani's rebuke (2 Chronicles 14:11; 16:2-10). Where could success or fear be shifting your reliance?
2 Chronicles 14:11

MEMORY VERSE / 2 Chronicles 16:9

Hanani's rebuke says the LORD shows Himself strong for hearts perfect toward Him and immediately tells Asa that he acted foolishly by relying on Syria (2 Chronicles 16:7-9).

WEB

For Yahweh's eyes run back and forth throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. You have done foolishly in this; for from now on you will have wars."

KJV

For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.

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- Solomon's prayer and the LORD's answer join temple worship to judgment, forgiveness, repentance, and explicit covenant warning rather than automatic security (2 Chronicles 6:18-42; 2 Chronicles 7:12-22).
- Rehoboam, Abijah, and Asa show how counsel, humility, and reliance shape Judah's course: rough counsel divides, reliance on the LORD delivers, and reliance on Syria draws rebuke (2 Chronicles 10:6-19; 2 Chronicles 13:13-18; 2 Chronicles 16:1-10).
- Jehoshaphat's law-teaching mission and his affinity with Ahab stand in tension as Micaiah's isolated testimony proves true at Ramoth-gilead (2 Chronicles 17:3-10; 2 Chronicles 18:1-34).

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2 Chronicles 9:15-16
3. Compare Asa's prayer in 2 Chronicles 14:11 with his use of temple treasure and Syrian power in 16:2-9. Which resource are you most tempted to treat as final security?
2 Chronicles 14:11

MEMORY VERSE / 2 Chronicles 20:15

Jahaziel addresses Jehoshaphat and Judah in the later invasion account and tells them the battle is God's (2 Chronicles 20:14-17).

WEB

and he said, "Listen, all Judah, and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you, King Jehoshaphat. Yahweh says to you, 'Don't be afraid, and don't be dismayed because of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's.

KJV

And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's.

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